मोकामा और राजमहल के बीच ''फेरी सेवा''

4032. श्री नरेश यादव:

क्या जलभूतल परिवहन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) सरकार द्वारा बिहार राज्य में मोकामा और राजमहल के बीच गंगा नदी पर लगभग 300 किलो मीटर की दूरी तक के लिए कितनी फेरी सेवाएं चलाई जा रही हैं;

(ख) यदि नहीं, तो उसके क्या कारण है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार इस क्षेत्र की इस गंभीर समस्या पर गंभीरतापूर्वक विचार करने के उपरांत कोई ठोस कदम उठाने का विचार रखती है?

जलभूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री जगदीश टाईटलर): (क) से (ग) चूंकि फेरी सेवाओं का प्रचालन, संविधान के अंतर्गत, राज्य का एक विषय है इसलिए केन्द्र सरकार का बिहार में मोकामेह और राजमहल के बीच फेरी सेवाएं चलाने का कोई प्रस्ताव नहीं है।

Dredging the Hooghly River

4033. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state the amount spent during 1984—93 to dredge the Hooghly river and whether Government are satisfied that as a result of such spending, a proper and desirable draught level has been maintained for the Haldia Port?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): A total amount of Rs. 383.48 crores has been spent during the period 1984—93 on maintenance dredging in the river Hooghly.

The navigability in the river Hooghly has been maintained

Breakdown of dredging ship of Calcutta Port

4034. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what steps are being taken to resume dredging by Calcutta Port following the breakdown of the dredging ship; and

(b) what compensations are being demanded from the foreign company concerned which sold the second hand ship to Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) there was no breakdown of any dredger in Calcutta. It was the pipeline for carrying the dredged material that failed. Dredging Corporation of India is expected to start dredging in Haldia after the monsoon.

(b) A claim of Rs. 75.52 crores has been preferred by the Calcutta Port Trust.

Profits and loses of Port in India

4035. SHRI PRA VAT KUMAR SAMANTARAY: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the profits and losses of different major ports for the year ending 1993-94; and

(b) what are the proposals contemplated by Government to enhance the capacities of different major ports (portwise) since all the major ports have exhausted their capacity utilisation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The provisional operating surpluses of major ports during 1993-94 are as under:

Name of the Port	Operating surplus (Rs. in crores)
Bombay	165.20
Calcutta	105.66
Cochin	3.94
Jawaharlal Nehru	21.00
Kandla	45.17
Madras	104.87
Mormugao	24.19
New Mangalore	7.50
Paradip	18.51
Tuticorin	11.82
Visakhapatnam	62.45

(b) The port-wise details of proposals seeking to enhance the port capacity during 8th plan are as follows:— 1. Calcutta including Haldia:

1. Container handlin£ facilities.
1 Construction of berths No. lOandll.